The main conclusions of the draft document on Mid-Term Appraisal of the Eighth Five Year Plan prepared in July, 1995 and containing data upto 1994-95 were, inter-alia, as follows:

The average annual rate of growth of the GDP was 4.6 per cent during the first three years (1992-95) of the Eighth Five Year Plan. The manufacturing, agriculture, imports and exports sectors grew by 4.7 per cent, 3.7 per cent, 14 per cent and 13.4 per cent respectively during the same period. The current account deficit came down to $ 1 billion in 1993-94 and 1994-95 from $ 10 billion in 1990-91. Employment grew at 2.03 per cent per annum during 1992-95.

Inspite of steady increase in corporate savings, domestic savings declined primarily due to a sharp reduction in household savings. The decline in Government investment affected the growth of infrastructure sector. While greater private sector participation in infrastructural development was in the right direction, too much could not be expected immediately due to legislative and procedural changes required.

(b) The draft Mid-Term Appraisal document of the Eighth Plan has not been considered and approved by the Full Planning Commission and the National Development Council for implementation.

(c) Yes, Sir. The reconstituted Planning Commission intends to make public the draft Mid-Term Appraisal document of the Eighth Plan.

Reservation for the Poor People of Upper Castes

3870. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to make reservation of jobs for the poor people of upper castes;

(b) if so, the details thereof, with criteria to be fixed in this regard;

(c) whether such further increase of job reservations would disturb the people of unreserved categories whose chances of employment have already been reduced to minimum, unless number of jobs avenues in all offices are increased; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNAL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

मध्य प्रदेश में गोदाम ग्रिड योजना के अंतर्गत गोदामों का निर्माण

3871. **श्री राधाकिशन मालवीय:** क्या ग्रामीण क्षेत्र और रोजगार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या मध्य प्रदेश शासन से गोदाम ग्रिड योजना के अंतर्गत खाद्यान्न भण्डारण हेतु गोदामों का निर्माण करने के लिए सहायता हेतु कोई प्रस्ताव प्राप्त हुआ है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसे कब तक स्वीकृति प्रदान की जाएगी?

ग्रामीण क्षेत्र और रोजगार मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री चन्द्रदेव प्रसाद वर्मा): (क) मध्य प्रदेश सरकार द्वारा गोदाम ग्रिड योजना के अन्तर्गत खाद्यान्न भंडारण हेतु गोदामों का निर्माण करने के लिए कृषि विपणन सलाहकार को सहायता अनुदान हेतु प्रस्ताव प्रस्तुत नहीं किया है। ग्रामीण गोदामों को बनाने के लिए योजना जो 1979-80 से इस मंत्रालय द्वारा कार्यान्वित की जा रही थी, को राष्ट्रीय विकास परिषद के निर्णय के अनुसार 1992-93 से राज्य क्षेत्र को हस्तांतरित कर दिया गया।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

मध्य प्रदेश में उच्च शक्ति पारेषण लाईनों का विस्तार

3872. **श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव:** क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि

(क) वर्ष 1993-94 से 1995-96 के दौरान मध्य प्रदेश में जिला-वार उच्च शक्ति की पारेषण लाइनों के विस्तार हेतु कितनी योजनाओं को स्वीकृति दी गयी है;

(ख) राज्य सरकार द्वारा केन्द्रीय सरकार से ऐसी कितनी योजनाओं के लिए कितनी-कितनी राशि की मांग की गयी है; और

(ग) इस संबंध में सरकार द्वारा स्वीकृत एवं अस्वीकृत योजनाओं और प्रदान की गयी राशि का ब्यौरा क्या है?

विद्युत मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा अपारंपरिक ऊर्जा स्रोत मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा० एस० वेणुगोपालाचारी): (क) से (ग) केन्द्रीय विद्युत प्राधिकरण ने 1994-95 से दौरान मध्य प्रदेश में 187.53 करोड़ रुपये की अनुमानित लागत वाली अनुपूरक आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना पारेषण कार्यों के लिए अपनी तकनीकी-आर्थिक स्वीकृति प्रदान कर दी थी। पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान मध्य प्रदेश में पारेषण लाइनों के लिए योजना आयोग द्वारा अनुमोदित परिव्यय निम्नवत था:—

1993-94	143 करोड़ रुपये
1994-95	142 करोड़ रुपये
1995-96	165 करोड़ रुपये

मध्य प्रदेश द्वारा 1993-96 की अवधि के दौरान प्रस्तुत की गयी किसी भी पारेषण स्कीम को केन्द्र सरकार ने अस्वीकार नहीं किया है।

Power Plant at Anantapur in Andhra Pradesh

3873. SHRI SAIFULLAH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Anantapur in Andhra Pradesh has been declared a drought area;

(b) if so, whether Government have decided to set up any power plant there; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) 16 Blocks covering an area of 19136 sq. kilometers in Anantapur district in Andhra Pradesh have been identified as drought prone.

(b) and (c) As per the information made available by the State Government it is proposed to establish an additional capacity of 43 MW wind farms in Anantapur district.

Reference of the Department of Planning and Programme Implementation to Computer Education certificates under MPLADS

3874. SHRI V. RAJESHWAR RAO: Will the Minister of PLANNING & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that schools, running Computer Education Programmes under MPLADS should make a reference of the Ministry of Planning and Programme Implementation on the Proficiency Certificates which they issue to students who have undergone training in Computer Education;

(b) whether such gesture on the part of the schools will go a long way in publishing the good efforts done by the Ministry in promoting Computer Education under MPLADS; and

(c) what more should the schools do to give publicity to the fact that the projects are being sponsored by the Government of India in the Ministry of Planning & Programme Implementation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (DR. YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) The objective behind computer in Education Project under the member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS) is to impart a functional knowledge of computers to school children and also promote computer awareness among them. Ministry of Planning and Programme Implementation do not have an accreditation mechanism.

(b) and (c) The objective behind the project is promotional and the school authorities are welcome to publicize the scheme in any manner, they consider fit